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Department of Environmental Services



Michael P. Nolin Commissioner

LETTER OF DEFICIENCY

No. WD SS 05-06

June 22, 2005

Ron Beckett, President
Parish Hills Elderly Community - A Condominium
24 S. Parish Drive
Londonderry, NH 03053

RE: Failed Septic System

Dear Mr. Beckett:

On June 16, 2005 personnel from the Department of Environmental Services, Water Division ("DES") conducted an inspection of the Parish Hills property, described as Lot #143-3, on Tax Map # 12, and located on Parish Hills Drive, Londonderry, NH, 03053 ("the Property"). The purpose of this inspection was to determine whether you were in compliance with RSA 485-A and it's implementing regulations, the Subdivision and Individual Sewage Disposal System Design Rules, Env-Ws 1000 ("the Rules").

As a result of the inspection, the following «keyboard» «keyboard» noted:

- 1. Leach field #3 has standing effluent on the surface above it, indicating system failure.
- 2. Further information received concerning recent inspections of the other leach fields on the Property indicate that these are either in failure or near failure due to excessive exposure to water.

DES expects the above deficiency to be permanently corrected Within 30 days by initiating and completing the following measures:

- 1. Engage a permitted septic system designer to prepare and submit septic system plans and specifications to DES for the total waste load generated on the Property.
- 2. Obtain approval to construct the system.

- 3. Construct and obtain approval to cover and use the system.
- 4. Operate and maintain the system in accordance with NH Administrative Rule Env-Ws 1023.
- 5. As an alternative, arrange to tie in to the Londonderry Town sewer system.

During interim between receipt of this letter and the date by which permanent corrections have been completed, as an alternate to vacating the premises, DES expects that collected sewage will be pumped and disposed in accordance with NH Administrative Rule Env-Ws 1600 at sufficient frequent intervals to prevent further overflow. If this alternative is utilized, it is advised that pumping receipts be retained.

DES believes the cited deficiencies will be corrected within 30 days and a report describing the corrective measures can be submitted to this office within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

In the event compliance is not achieved within this period, DES may take further action against the Association, including issuing an order requiring the above items to be corrected, initiating an administrative fine proceeding, and/or referring the matter to the New Hampshire Department of Justice for imposition of civil and/or criminal penalties. In addition, DES personnel will reinspect the Property at a later date to determine whether you have come into, and are maintaining, full compliance with all applicable statutes and directives.

The written report as requested above should be addressed as follows:

Richard J. de Seve, SSB, DES Department of Environmental Services 6 Hazen Drive, PO Box 95 Concord, NH 03302-0095

Your prompt cooperation is appreciated. Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Richard J. de Seve at 271-3442.

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